SUBJECT No. 264.

SUBJECT of begging.

Prevention of begging.

Messrs. Thammayyabhatta and A. Rao, Tirthahalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Steps may be taken for the prevention of begging by persons who are under no physical disabilities.

Reply of Government.—Government cannot do anything in this matter.

SUBJECT No. 265.

Rewards to those versed in Persian and Arabic.

Mr. Mahomed Imam Sab, *alias* Baba Sab, Tarikere municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Sanskrit Pandits who pass the *Vidvat* Examination from the Sanskrit College at Mysore are rewarded annually at the time of the Dasara by His Highness the Maharaja. It is prayed that similar encouragement may be extended for Arabic and Persian *Moulvis*.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 266.

Impressing carts.

(1) Mr. Mir Mahomed Sab, Tarikere taluk.
(2) Messrs. Sanganabasappa and Ramani Channaveerappa, Shikarpur taluk.
(3) Mr. Amble Anniah Pandit, Mysore City Municipal Council.

Summary of discussion.—(1) The practice of impressing carts for Government work gives an opportunity to petty Government servants to harass the poor raiyats. The supply of carts for Government work may be given out on contract or a number of carts may be maintained by Government as in the Nilgiris.

(2) Merchants owning carts in towns pay municipal and cart tax as well. The carts of these merchants are often impressed for Government work and taken to moffusil places to the detriment of the owners' work, causing much loss to them. It is therefore prayed that orders may be passed not to impress carts owned by merchants.

(3) The present rate of cart hire of 0-1-6 per mile payable on account of carts impressed for the use of officers of Military and Revenue Departments when they travel on duty is insufficient. As the prices of cattle and of fodder have gone up considerably, it is prayed that 2 annas per mile may be paid in respect of such carts.

Reply of Government.—(1) and (2) It is not possible to do away with the system, under present circumstances. Specific cases of abuse or hardship may however be brought to the notice of proper authorities. (3) Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 267.

Loading of carts.

Mr. Syed Rahim Sab, Heggaddevankote taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Carts are being loaded out of all proportion to the strength of bullocks that draw them, thereby causing great hardship to the animals and inconvenience to the travelling public when these carts give way in the middle of the journey. It is prayed that a Regulation be passed fixing the quantity of load that may be put into carts.

Reply of Government.—Noted.